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
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
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GOSSIP.

Dear Floral Folks:—Will some nothern floral sister, who has had wonderful success with the southern bulbs and flowers write and tell us how to care for them. Once, years ago, I had a Crinum bloom—I had four varieties at that time. It was so scared at what it had done, that it died that winter. I have had many varieties of Southern plants, and have made up my mind to have a success—I will have to go down and live with them, for they absolutely refuse to live up here with me.

I am sure the floral sisters will agree with me when I say that it is always the choicest plants in your collection which you have to take the most care of. Aphids and red spider will live in happiness and raise large families on your choicest plants in spite of your efforts to oust them. It is always the best plant you have that gets cranky and dies, while common everyday plants grow right along, loaded with aphids and scale, and, water standing on their roots, nothing seeming to hurt their growth.

Ima.
Geauga Co., Ohio, Jan. 31, 1905.

Dear Floral Friends:—I find some seeds germinate better out of doors, and all coarse seeds are better planted in the open. But I always have much better success with Pansies from the seed-boxes in the window. One can get them to blooming earlier, also.

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APRIL.

The song of the Robin
Is sweet in the morn;
The breath of the spring-time
Blows fresh, as new-born;
And the voice of the brook,
As it flows to the sea,
Is chanting the measure,
"I'm free! I am free!"

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THE IMPROVED VERBENAS.

THE Garden Verbenas are hybrids of several of the most showy and ever-blooming species, and for many years have been improved under the skill of the intelligent hybridist, as well as by careful selection. On this account the plants are more vigorous, and more free and continuous blooming, while the flowers are much larger than formerly, and borne in larger clusters. Nearly all the known shades and colors are represented, and many varieties show variegated flowers, while nearly all are exquisitely fragrant.

For many years the finer varieties of Garden Verbenas were propagated by cuttings and could be obtained only as plants from the florist. This system of culture, however, encouraged the attack of diseases, and the pests which are ever ready to flourish upon sickly plants—aphis, red-spider, and the like, so that this beautiful bedding plant lost its popularity, or was supplanted by flowers of harder constitution. Of late years the loss is being regained by the propagation of plants from seeds, seedling plants being healthy, and quite as free-blooming.

In a sunny bed of rich soil the seedling plants started this month in a window box and transplanted will begin to bloom in June, and keep up a continuous display until after frost in the autumn. There is no secret in their culture as out-door plants, the seeds germinating promptly, and the plants quickly growing to blooming size. They should be set from a foot to eighteen inches apart, according to the race of hybrids grown, as the dwarf, erect, compact sorts do not need as much space as the Mammoth varieties.

A FLORAL Sister from Iowa, in writing to the Editor, refers to her Verbena bed in the following enthusiastic way:

"Oh, my Verbena bed! It was the most beautiful sight—a mass of gay-colored flowers! I know if all the flower-lovers could see it they would have seeds included in their list the next time they order. The seeds are so cheap, too—only three cents per packet. And all you need do the second year is spade the bed up, and you will have double the number of plants you had the first year."

As the time for sowing these seeds is at hand the correspondent's advice is timely, and those who heed it are not likely to be disappointed. A few seeds of a choice strain will make plants enough for a large bed, which will ensure rich bloom and fragrance the entire season.



IMPROVED VERBENAS.

Dodecatheon.—A sister in Washington enquires about a Cyclamen-like flower which grew wild in Iowa, the plant having leaves like Cos Lettuce, but of reddish tinge, and the flowers appearing freely in June and July, the colors ranging from pure white to purple. It is evidently Dodecatheon Meadia.

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Number of copies printed of Park's Floral Magazine, as indicated by press counters, for March, 391,515.



Propagation.—*Sansevieria Zealanica* is propagated from leaves inserted in sand in summer time, the sand kept moist and cool, but not wet. They are several weeks starting. They may also be propagated by taking off and potting the young plants that issue from subterranean stems. *Plumbago* and *Lemon Verbena* are easily started from cuttings of half-ripened wood. Insert in moist sand and keep rather warm and close. Plants of *Heliotrope*, *Petunia* and *Verbena* are readily started in the same way, but it is better to propagate them from seeds, seedling plants being more vigorous and healthy, and blooming almost as soon as those started from cuttings.

Tulips from Seeds.—Fresh seeds of Tulips start readily, but the young plants need protection the first year in a cold climate. If neglected they will perish by frost. It takes three or four years to produce blooming bulbs, and the slowness of procuring a stock of bulbs in this way hardly justifies the amateur to adopt the method.

Rubber Plant Dropping Leaves.—If kept too wet and cold during winter the leaves of the Rubber Plant will often change to golden yellow, and drop off. Avoid watering too freely, and avoid a chilling atmosphere.

MADEIRA VINE TUBERS.

LAST FALL a little Madeira Vine was left in a small pot on the greenhouse bench. It soon began to grow vigorously, showing that the roots had penetrated the drainage opening, and was drawing nourishment from the soil on the bench. A string was provided for its support, and in a few weeks long festoons of the massive foliage reaching from post to post was a pleasing decoration. But where were the tubers, and where the little pot? The picture will tell you. The earthen vessel



was broken by the developing tubers shortly after the vigorous growth began, and the exposed soil was soon washed away from the ball of tubers by the strong spray of the waterman, leaving the curiosity represented by the sketch. These tubers continued to enlarge, and at the present time (March 11th) the ball is half a foot in diameter, and of a fine green color. It is an object of interest to all visitors, and indicates how rapidly the plants of this vine may be increased, each little branch of the tuber being provided with numerous eyes, any one of which will promptly develop a growing, rooted plant.

Nicotiana Sanderæ.—This is undoubtedly a novelty of great value, and those who try it will be likely to have something of more than ordinary merit. It has received the highest awards of the various Horticultural Societies of the world, and the highest praise of eminent horticultural writers. The plants are more branching than those of *Nicotiana Affinis*, far more floriferous and showy, are of easy culture, and bloom continuously, the flowers being of rich rosy-carmine color. The engraving on the first title page is a fair representation of a group of the blooming plants. Do not fail to give this grand novelty a trial. It will richly repay your time and labor with its beautiful flowers.

TORENIA SPECIOSA.

FRANCOA RAMOSA.

FROM Cochin China, fifty years ago, came a beautiful annual which was introduced under the name *Torenia Fournieri*. It was of low, bushy growth, less than a foot high, and every branch ended in a cluster of buds and flowers shaped somewhat like a Snapdragon, but of a beautiful lavender blue with dark velvety variegation. This fine species, so much admired and prized when introduced, has been improved by hybridization and selection till a new race exhibits flowers of larger size and more varied coloring, while the flowers are borne as freely, often almost hiding the stems and foliage, as indicated in the engraving. Seeds of this new race are now offered by seedsmen at a moderate price, and as the culture is not difficult



many persons should be tempted to give this beautiful flower a trial.

These *Torenia*s like a warm, rather sunny place, light, rich soil and plenty of water. They start quickly from seeds, and if sown in April the plants will be in full bloom throughout summer and autumn. Sow the seeds in a window box or pot and do not transplant the little plants till the ground is warm. A place sheltered from the wind, as the south side of a wall or building just suits them. They are also well adapted for pots for the window or piazza, and never fail to elicit much praise and admiration when in bloom.

It is a pleasure to recommend a rare and handsome flowering plant for general attention when it is likely to succeed well and be a source of delight to the cultivator. This race of *Torenia*s has the elements of a first-class popular flower, and will surely please those who give it a trial. No skillful gardener will regret adding it to the trial list of new and rare flowers. Coming from the tropics it must have a warm, sheltered situation. This given, a porous, well-drained soil will develop handsome specimens.

BELONGING to the Saxifrage family we have a genus of plants from Chili named *Francoa*, in honor of F. Franco, M. D., a promoter of botany in the sixteenth century. There are three species,



all of which were introduced about the year 1830, all growing two feet high, with Turnip-like leaves, and spike-like racemes of handsome flowers. The plants are greenhouse perennials, readily started from seeds, and of easy culture. The most common and desirable of the lot

is *Francoa ramosa*, a spray of flowers of which is shown in the little sketch. The flowers are pure white, and as the engraving indicates, are freely produced on long, branching spikes. Seeds sown in April will produce plants that will bloom freely the next season, as it requires fifteen months to develop blooming plants from seeds. The plants can be kept over winter in any frost-proof room, and do well bedded out in summer.

The New African Coleus.—A new *Coleus* has been found in South Central Africa, and is now being introduced to the flower-loving public. It is a shrubby species, branching freely and growing two or three



feet high, clothed with dentate green leaves and bearing terminal panicles of exquisite, compressed blue flowers which are continually produced. The little cluster shown in the sketch fairly represents a portion of the panicle with a side view of some of the flowers. Below it the artist gives a side view of the flowers enlarged, and to magnify its fanciful appearance

has taken the liberty to give a perspective shading. This new *Coleus* is valued chiefly for its numerous fine blue flowers borne freely during the winter. A rich fibrous soil and partially shaded place is required for its full development. This is a promising pot plant, and deserves a trial.

SALVIA COCCINEA SPLENDENS.

COME with me to the green-house this bright March morning. Do you notice that graceful clump of plants showing rich scarlet mouth-like flowers, the lower lip broad and drooping? That is *Salvia coccinea splendens*. It is not the large, Scarlet *Salvia* so popular as a bedding plant, which was introduced from

Brazil in 1822, and which has flowers two inches long, the calyx of the same color as the flower. This species is from Central America, and was introduced at a much earlier period, namely, in 1772.

The plant

grows two feet high, branches freely, and its stems are slender and sparingly clothed with heart-shaped leaves, as shown in figure 1. You will notice every one of those slender, twiggy branches terminates in a cluster of buds and flowers, as represented in figure 2. The flowers are about an inch long, and the rich scarlet corolla is held in a handsome little cup-like calyx half of which is green and half bronzy red. The buds do not all appear or develop at once. They come in clusters along the stem, and you will find, as indicated in the sketch, that every stem bears the brownish persistent calyx from which the flower has dropped, opening buds, full-blown flowers, and buds so small that they can scarcely be discerned with the naked eye.

But here are several of the little cups that have turned brown and dry. Let me pull one off and rub out the seeds. Are they not small? They

are not half the size of the seeds of *Salvia splendens*. They appear brownish with a little white dot at the larger end. But wait till I get a focus upon them with my microscope. Now look! How beautiful they are! The distinct black spots show

finely upon a light brown back-ground, giving them the handsome speckled appearance we see in the turkey egg. Figure 3 shows the seeds as they thus appear. Everyone of these seeds, small as they are, contains a plantlet packed for transportation, and when put into the moist, warm



FIGURE 3.

soil will soon develop and become a blooming plant like those of this clump, greeting you every morning with its freshly opened flowers; and calling forth expressions of admiration from all by its gracefulness and beauty. The foliage when bruised is not so pleasant to the sense of smell, as is the foliage of *Salvia rutilans*, the apple-scented species with slender crimson-scarlet flowers, which you see in bloom on the other bench, but it is not disagreeable. Seeds sown this month will produce blooming plants by mid-summer, and these will keep up a continuous display either in pots or in beds the entire season. The plants are more readily grown than those of *Salvia Splendens*, and when set a foot apart in a sunny bed they become a graceful, waving mass of rich bloom, rarely seen in gardens. It is really a very desirable *Salvia*.

Allamanda Williamsi.—This is a bushy form of *Allamanda*, and the best one for the window, as it blooms freely and continuously in summer, and is of easy culture. Young plants are readily started from cuttings of half-ripe wood inserted in sand in a moist, shady place during summer. A compost of three parts fibrous loam, one part pounded charcoal, and one part rotten cow manure suits it. Firm well when potting, and leave plenty of room in the pot above the soil for water, which is required in copious supplies while the plant is growing and blooming. Prune just after the resting period, cutting back nearly to the old wood, if a dwarf growth is desired. Give rest after the summer's growth, watering sparingly during that period. Repot as soon as the signs of activity appear, and prune at the same time. No pests trouble this plant, except a rare species of thrip, which can be easily kept down by daily syringing with hot quassia chips tea.

Alocasia.—In potting *Alocasias* use fibrous loam, peat and silver sand. Fill the pot one-third full with broken pots, on which put a layer of sphagnum moss, and above this the soil, a little rotted sphagnum being added. Pot so the bulb will be well above the rim of the pot, and place sphagnum over the soil. Water freely while the plant is growing, and give a warm temperature and shade from the hot sun.



FIGURE 2.



EARLY COSMOS.

THE one objection I have to Cosmos is that the plants bloom too late. What are known as early sorts have never given me blossoms earlier than August, while the later varieties show no buds until September, then the greater part do not have a chance to develop before they are killed by frost. But this year I am experimenting, and expect to have blossoms by the middle of June. The last week in December I planted some seeds in a box along with some Phlox and Asters. I set the box in a south window, where it has plenty of warmth and sunlight. Only a few of the Cosmos came up, but they have grown rapidly, and have been transplanted to small tin cans, one plant to each can. There are five of them, several inches tall now, and growing nicely. I have never before tried starting them in the house, but I see no reason why they should not grow well, if I give them good soil and plenty of fertilizer, and shift them to larger receptacles as they grow larger. If I succeed with them I shall try more next winter.

Nat S. Green.

Hamilton Co., Ohio, Jan. 13, 1905.

Calliopsis and Gaillardia.—Among the seeds I planted last year there was a packet of Dwarf Calliopsis, and one of double Gaillardia. I had never seen either of these in bloom, and was surprised at their great beauty. The Calliopsis was one sheet of bloom for three months, and there were a dozen, or more sorts. They have self-sown, and the bed is now, (January 29th) full of the little plants. I expect a great show from them in spring.

There were nine different kinds of Gaillardias. Some of them as round as a ball, and so beautifully fringed and variegated, that they were greatly admired. They, too, have self-sown, and the bed is now full of little plants.

Lenora Vaughan.

Cameron Co., La., Feb. 13, 1905.

Platyedon.—This is a perennial plant, a native of China or Japan, and is very easy to succeed with. The plants often bloom the first season from seeds, the blooms being mostly of a blue color, and somewhat resembling Canterbury Bells. It seems to be perfectly hardy, dying down in autumn and coming up again in the spring. The plants are well worth growing by all who admire perennial plants.

W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Jan. 1, 1905.

JAPANESE PINKS.

FOR all purposes and places, the Japanese Pinks are hardly surpassed. From a small package of seeds one can have a fine array of colors, in showy single and double flowers from summer until late fall. Then the plants will do even better another year, if given some protection in winter. A bed of mixed Japan Pinks, will almost startle one with the strange colors and markings and vivid beauty. By keeping the faded flowers clipped off, giving water, and ordinary care, everything but odor will be there, to gratify the onlooker. E. C. Edgar Co., Ill., Jan. 21, 1905.

[NOTE.—In protecting Pinks care must be taken to avoid smothering. Placing a board frame around the bed with a few lath tacked on an inch or two apart will mostly be found satisfactory. If the plants have not exhausted themselves blooming and seeding the first season they will mostly endure the winter at the north without protection, unless in a place much exposed to wind. * * In regard to odor, it should be borne in mind that the Margaret Pinks and the hybrid Cyclops Pinks, not only bloom the first season and show all shades from white to crimson, as well as cream and yellow, but the flowers are deliciously fragrant. On this account they are more prized by some persons than the richer colored and variegated Japanese varieties.—Ed.]

Iceland Poppy.—Last spring I purchased a packet of Iceland Poppy seeds, and planted them the 15th of May. By July 4th they were blooming. They are lovely as cut flowers, and are very fragrant. I have had them last ten days by putting in fresh water every day, but they must be cut as soon as open. They are as showy, from a distance, as a bed of white Tulips. I raised forty-three plants from one three-cent packet of seeds. I would urge all the flower-loving sisters to have a bed of these Poppies. Mine were no trouble, only planting, and they kept on blooming till frost took them. They are fine for a bed of white flowers on the lawn.

Jennettie Schmidt.

Grant Co., Wis., Oct. 21, 1904.

About Perennials.—If you have a large yard, or have little time to give to flowers, get a collection of hardy perennials. These flowers are easily grown, and increase in beauty year after year as the clumps grow larger; and with careful choosing, a succession of bloom may be had from early spring until the hard frosts of late autumn cut them down. If grown from seeds many of them do best when sown in the fall, though some perennials are quite difficult to grow in this way, as the seeds are so slow in germinating. J. A. L.

Washington Co., Oreg., Feb. 1, 1905.

Physianthus Albers.—This is a perennial vine from Buenos Ayers. Flowers are pinkish, succeeded by large, egg-shaped fruit. Easily started from seed, also from cuttings of half-ripened side shoots. Hardy South, but a pot plant at the North.

SUCCESS WITH CARNATIONS.

HOW pleased I was when I arrived home last summer from a six weeks' visit and beheld my Carnations! Actually, in the short time I was absent, those Carnations had grown and spread out broad and rank as quick-grass. Many of them were full of buds, some blooming. Besides, the flowers they bore were all double or semi-double, not a single bloom among them. They were not the largest blossoms I have seen, but of fair size, many colors and very sweet.

Now all this satisfactory loveliness was obtained from one packet of seeds costing three cents. The return was greatly disproportionate to the outlay. They were called Winter Blooming Carnations. I chose that sort, thinking they might be more hardy, and therefore better fitted for our northern gardens. The seeds were started early, in boxes in the house, and transplanted to the garden about the middle of May. I have paid 25 cents a packet for Carnation seeds that yielded me but two or three spindling plants and few blossoms, so you can understand my astonishment and pleasure. Pinks of all kinds and Carnations are my special desire in gardening and now I know how to obtain them.

Nova Scotia. Mrs. A. H. Doane.

Clematis Virginiana.—If you have a Clematis Virginiana that has not done well try shading its roots while the vine is in full sunshine. I had never succeeded with this plant until I covered its roots with loose boards, and watered it freely. The vine needs plenty of sunshine to bloom its best. It will grow in deep shade, but the limbs that climb out to the sunshine are the ones always to carry the most bloom. It is one of the most beautiful vines I have ever seen, when well grown and covered with its thousands of small, white flowers. Its clean-looking, deep green foliage is lovely, even without flowers. It ought to be generally cultivated. Lenora Vaughan.

Cameron Co., La., Feb. 13, 1905.

Foxglove.—The Foxglove is one of the prettiest biennials, and is very easily grown. The seeds can be sown in spring, or summer, so that the plants will have time to make some growth before winter. In very cold climates the plants will require some protection during winter. The plants flower but once, then produce seeds and die, so that it is necessary to make a sowing of them each year.

W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Jan. 1, 1905.

RAISING NICOTIANAS.

THE first year I raised Nicotianas I treated them as Petunias, sowing the little seeds in very smooth fine soil. I sprinkled the soil over the seeds as evenly as possible, covering lightly with fine, sifted soil, sand, or a layer of sphagnum moss. A better way if the seeds are sown in a box, is to cover with a glass only, as then the soil will not get dry. As soon as the seeds germinate it is necessary to slip the glass a little to allow air to enter. When the plants touch the glass remove it entirely, and fill in around the plant stems carefully with fine soil or sand. A penknife is good to place the soil around the plants. This procedure applies to all fine seeds from choice plants.

Cigar boxes are about right in size to plant a three-cent packet of seeds in, and where one is careful to transplant as soon as they begin to crowd, there can be all the plants one person requires, from such a seed-box. Conditions can be controlled so much better when seeds are sown in boxes.

Mrs. E. Clearwater.

Edgar Co., Ill., Jan. 30, 1905.

Sweet Peas.—I planted one ounce of Sweet Peas in the spring of 1902. They were all different, and of a greater variety of markings and colorings than I ever saw in Sweet Peas before. I picked a large vase full every day, and surely there is nothing in the Floral World sweeter than these same Sweet Peas. I picked my first flower in June, and the last in November.

M. M. Evans.

Adams Co., Ind., Dec. 1904.

Watering the Seed Bed.—I planted seeds in drills the proper depth, pressed them down, then watered only in the drill itself, and covered with dry soil. This gave moisture just where it was needed, and it lasted longer on account of the dry soil on top. It took only a little water, which sometimes may also be an advantage.

Duchess Co., N. Y.

Flora Lee.

Cosmos.—I wish more people would try the early-flowering Cosmos. They are just full of bloom in the fall, when there are not many other flowers, and do better in rather poor soil. Rich soil will cause them to rust, and break down. They are very satisfactory fall bloomers, and do not want to have their roots disturbed.

Osage Co., Kan.

M. C. Martin.

A Hardy Vine.—Last year I had a Jack-mani Clematis in bloom for nearly two months. It covered an eight by five feet trellis. Scarcely a green leaf could be seen under the mass of purple flowers. It was magnificent, and the admiration of every one who passed.

Mrs. W.

Rutherford Co., Tenn.



FERTILIZING DECORATIVE PLANTS.

MOST decorative house plants, such as Palms, Pandanus, etc., are naturally slow growers, so that liberal encouragement should be given them, especially when young, to make as rapid growth as possible. Intelligent fertilizing is not an unimportant point in the successful culture of this class of plants; while flowering kinds require phosphoric acid in some form to develop their blossoms, these "green things growing" need only that which is essential to the production of leaf and stem—such as potash, ammonia, etc.

In summer and fall mine are mostly allowed to grow according to their own sweet wills, with only an occasional invigorating drink; but during the winter and spring they are fed regularly on the following diet:

Every fourth week they are given some good standard plant food, prepared according to directions accompanying it.

The week following they have a drink of soot-tea, made in the proportion of about one tablespoonful of soot to two quarts of water. This is good to give depth of coloring to the foliage, and also helps to keep the soil sweet.

The next week comes ammonia—one tablespoonful to four quarts of water. It is only a stimulant, but by encouraging growth helps the plant to make use of the other chemicals.

The week after, a very weak lye is prepared from wood ashes, about one tablespoonful to three or four quarts of water. This is a fine fertilizer, and gives the potash needed for stiffening the stems, etc. Then again comes the prepared plant food, and each of the other fertilizers in their turn. As a consequence, my ornamentals continue growing all the time, and are in a healthy, vigorous condition.

Duchess Co., N. Y.

Flora Lee.

Justicia Carneae.—*Justicia Carneae* is a plant that should be in every plant collection. It is of easy culture. It was sent to me as a substitute, and of course was something new. The leaves were very pretty, and I thought it a foliage plant. One day I noticed it was full of little tops at every sprout, like a green Hop. I decided it was a flowering maple, and did not look at it for several days. When I looked again I was surprised, for instead of the green buds, were lovely pink flowers, lasting two weeks. It is one of the plants that do not need a lot of coaxing to grow and bloom, and is pretty.

Mrs. Rhoads.

Somerset Co., Pa.

CUPID SWEET PEAS.

TWO years ago I sent for some seeds quite late in the spring, and among a lot of "extra" packets was one of Cupid Sweet Peas. I thought it too late to plant Sweet Peas, so kept them over and planted them the next spring. They came up in a little while, and then they seemed seized with bashfulness, and so very backward were they that by mid-summer none of them had made more than a few inches growth. Then we took them up and set them in pots, on a south porch, where they had the sun most of the day. We watered and showered them freely, and they began to grow, and bloom. There were never many blossoms on a plant at once, but there were always a few, and those few were so large, so delicately shaded, and poised so gracefully upon their long stems, that we considered ourselves well paid for the care they had had. I shall try some in pots early this year, and see what I can make of them.

Ina King.

Christian Co., Ky., Feb. 7, 1905.

Oxalis Ortgiesi.—You will find that this upright *Oxalis* is a fine winter-bloomer, not having any resting period; and when bedded out during the summer, it makes a thrifty growth. Those who have never tried a plant should add one to their collection. It has clusters of yellow flowers, almost as large as the Bermuda Buttercup *Oxalis*, and its clean cut foliage, makes it a desirable, and ornamental plant. The flowers do not close at night, as other varieties of *Oxalis* do.

Ima.

Gauga Co, Ohio., Dec. 10, 1904.

Geraniums in Bud.—Some *Geranium* cuttings potted in the fall, and about four inches high, are surprising me by budding this early. They are in a room where I do not have a fire all the time,—only in the coldest weather. Amid the flood of novelties I don't think we shall ever be willing to give up our *Geraniums*, they ask so little care, and they give so much in return for it.

L. W. B.

Kent Co., Del.

Asparagus.—For foliage plants *Asparagus* in variety can hardly be excelled. They are very beautiful and adaptable. Rose *Geraniums* are sweet and pretty, but they are not as adaptable as are the *Asparagus*. They are seldom so grown, but a large pot containing the *Sprengeri* to droop, and the *Plumosus* to climb, would, when well grown be a beautiful object.

Edgar Co., Ill., Emma Clearwater.

Primula Forbesi.—I now have several of the Baby *Primroses* in bloom, and although not a showy flower they will surely find favor with whoever grows them.

Adams Co., Ind.

M. M. Evans.



TO A BROOK.

Merry little streamlet,
Laughing as you go,
O'er the fen, adown the glen,
Where the Birches grow.

Rippling thro' the meadow,
Dancing o'er the stones,
Thro' the bushes, 'mong the rushes,
Where the soft wind moans.

How your wavelets glisten
In the morning sun;
You never strayed, nor yet delayed,
Since first your course begun.

Now you flow so peaceful
Where the grey trout play,
Amid the moss, then up you toss,
Great white clouds of spray.

Where are your waters tending,
That softly sang to me?
To-morrow they'll leap on the trackless
deep
Of the billowy, surging sea.

And when they reach the ocean,
Will you stop awhile to sleep?
Ah no; like the sand, on the shifting strand,
You'll swell the briny deep.

Dear frolicsome, restless brooklet,
When I no longer roam
By your grassy side in the eventide,
When I have wondered home,

Will you stop or hush your laughter,
Or mourn that my voice is still?
Ah no, alas, tho' ages pass,
You'll dance with joy. Oh, tho'tless rill.

Emma B. Carpenter.

Okanogan Co., Wash., Nov. 29, 1905.

APRIL.

April is here with its sunshine and showers;
Ye who are tired of winter's cold blast,
Cheer up! For ere long there'll be green grass and
flowers;
Keen winds and snow-drifts are things of the past.

Song-birds are singing in tree-top and hedges,
Telling that spring-time is with us again;
Blue-bells and Butter-cups Lilies and Daisies
Are awaked from their sleep by the warm April
rain.

The brooklet, whose banks will soon be shaded
With Ferns and sweet wild flowers, runs merrily on;
The warm winds of April are whispering softly,
Sweet spring-time is here, cold winter is gone.

Hancock Co., Ill. Lutie Chrisman Farris.

HE KNOWETH OUR NEED.

Go forth into the wildwood, under God's azure sky,
And thou canst find a teacher in whatever meets
thine eye;
In running brooks are sermons, and he who will
may read;
There is food for all who seek it, and the Father
knows our need.

Anna M. L. Rossiter.

East Boston, Mass., Feb. 2, 1905.

THE LATE DANDELION.

The late little Dandelion,
Uplifting her head,
Found her sister flowers withered,
Their petals all shed.
"Though 'tis royal October
And bright is the sky,
"Yet," she cried, "all seems darkness,
So lonely am I."

"Why did I not blossom
While Summer was young,
And my golden eyes open
My kindred among?
Though 'tis royal October,
And bright is the sky,
To me all seems darkness,
So lonely am I."

Just then a white butterfly
Azigzagged him near,
Softly whispering "I love you,
Wee Dandelion dear;
And I'm glad that you blossomed
So late, else, you see,
I would never have met you,
Nor you have met me."

All the rest of her days, then,
The Dandelion spent
With this new-found companion
In sweetest content.
"Though now gloomy November,
And dark is the sky,"
Sang she, "All seems brightness,
So happy am I."

Jennie Vickery.

Wayne Co., N. Y., Jan. 26, 1905.

RESURRECTION.

As through my pleasant garden paths,
One April morn I trod,
The modest Violet I spied,
Just peeping through the sod.
Fair fragrant flower! I cried,
You perished long ago;
Now after Winter's frost, you rise
Again to bloom, I know.

And then a gentle spirit spake,
Unto my aching heart;
The friend you laid beneath the sod
When you were called to part,
Once more like this fair flower shall rise—
Although you miss her here—
And bloom again in Paradise,
That fair celestial sphere.

Sweet flower! I said, your mission this,
To quench the falling tear;
To raise the soul on wings of faith,
Dispel each gloomy fear.
To point from earth to starry skies,
To bid our sorrows cease;
And show how gentle spirits rise
To everlasting peace.

Lucretia Bank Zastre.

Norfolk Co., Mass., Dec. 28, 1904.

OUR BLESSINGS.

Without the love, without the smiles,
Life's journey would have longer miles;
Without kind words, without good deeds,
Our life would fall with all the creeds.

Without the sun, without the rain,
Soon all would feel distress and pain;
Without God's love, without his care
The mortal's end would be despair.

Albert E. Vassar.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 1, 1904.



THE SHIRLEY POPPIES.

THE race of Poppies which was developed from the old Corn-flower or *Rhœas* Poppy by the careful selection of varieties at the Shirley Vicarage, England, has become one of the most popular and beautiful of garden annuals. Its difference from other *Rhœas* Poppies consists chiefly in its light-colored stamens and its soft shades of color and delicate blendings.

The older varieties grow from fifteen to eighteen inches tall, and are somewhat loose and straggling in growth; the newer

formation of seeds exhausts their vitality and prevents a continuous display.

The dear old Vicar, Rev. W. Wilks, to whose care we are indebted for this lovely race of flowers, has passed to his eternal reward, but one result of his labor in the garden, the Shirley Poppy, is more and more appreciated with advancing years. Those who do not know it should surely try it this season; after a trial it will be regarded as an "indispensable."

For a Dry Climate.—For the yard in a dry climate grow *Vinca rosea*, *Coxcomb*, *Phlox*, *Salvia* and *Petunia*. These will seed themselves, come up and bloom from early spring till a hard freeze in late fall, with no work but to keep out the weeds and grass.

Mrs. Fannie Smith.

Vauzant Co., Tex.



A VASE OF SHIRLEY POPPIES.

varieties, however, are dwarf and compact, scarcely over a foot high, and very floriferous. Either class, tall or dwarf, makes a showy bed, and never fails to call forth the most enthusiastic praise from those who see them. The flowers are fine for vases for room adornment, and keep well when placed in water. The sketch is from a photograph sent by a correspondent, and fairly shows the character of the flowers so used. The seeds should be put in the ground as early as it can be worked. Sow thinly, in rows six or eight inches apart, and cover sparingly. When the plants attain some size thin them out till they stand six inches apart in the rows. They should not crowd each other, and if the soil is stirred and mulched with well rotted manure in early summer the plants will repay the labor. Cut the flowers freely, as the

Pansies.—To raise Pansies from seeds plant in good soil, where they will get morning sun. Keep the soil well up around the roots, as they have a tendency to grow out of the ground. When they begin to bloom pick them off every day. The more blooms you give away, the more you will have. If your plants have been wintered, cut off the tops in July, and let them send up new shoots. Work in some fertilizer, and good soil, and in September, October, and perhaps November, you will be repaid with nice large "Pansy Faces."

Mrs. J. N. L.

Indiana Co., Pa., Oct. 12, 1904.

[NOTE.—The most showy of spring Pansy beds are produced by sowing the seeds in mid-summer so that strong, blooming-sized plants will fill the bed in autumn. Such will endure the winter safely, and become a mass of rich bloom early in spring. —ED.]



CACTUS AND ALLIED PLANTS.

SEEING remarks in the November Magazine about Cacti being so prickly I thought I would tell about my *Stapelias* and *Echeverias*, which are in bloom now. They always do bloom this month. The two *Stapelias*, *Variegata* and *Grandiflora*, are lovely to look at, and have no pricks at all. It does not do to go too near them though, as they have a nasty odor when in bloom. These, as well as the *Echeverias*, are best in hanging baskets or on a shelf. My *Echeveria* comes out in large sprays of white flowers, and when fully out I take it to my husband's office, and put it on a bracket in the window, where it stays in bloom, usually until in March. Last year it did not stay out so long, only until last of January.

There are a number of Cactuses without spines, as *Cereus*, Dr. Regal and *MacDonaldi*, *Epiphyllum* and *Rhipsalis*. *Rhipsalis* is a Cactus-like plant covered with flowers in April. The flowers are very small, but the plant is literally covered with them. I have some Cacti in bloom all the year round, as they have their stated times to bloom, and can be depended upon. *Phyllocactus* blooms in spring, and, often again in the fall. Then there are some species of the *Aloes* that do not have any spines. These have variegated leaves, and are lovely; also *Gesteria's*, *Hawarthias*, and Oh! lots of other ones. I am a lover of Cacti, as you can see from this, but love all flower too. Lucia T. Falconer.

Ontario, Canada, Nov. 2, 1904.

Weeping Lantana.—The Weeping Lantana I think is a fine plant for a hanging basket. It will stand a great deal of neglect, but when given a little attention in the way of watering and soil it will bloom for months at a time. A plant in full bloom looks like a pink ball. Mine bloomed through the winter. I gave it some new soil in the fall, and now it has ninety-four lovely bunches of flowers again, often having as high as one hundred and sixty blooms at a time. I think it is ahead of most other hanging basket plants, as few of them bloom as this plant does.

Somerset Co., Pa. Mrs. Rhoads.

Chinese Primrose.—I find Chinese Primrose of easy culture, and sure to bloom under the most adverse circumstances. I have five plants, raised from seeds last year. One of the plants last year was accidentally frozen,—every leaf frozen off, and still it continued to bloom until spring.

Adams Co., Ind.

M. M. Evans.

WILD FLOWERS FOR THE WINDOW.

MANY of our native wild flowers do well when grown in the window garden, and are quite as pretty as cultivated sorts. For several years I have had a number of kinds in bloom weeks ahead of their accustomed season. The second of January of this year was as warm as a spring day, and I took the opportunity to go to the woods for bulbs and roots to fill a window box. My trip was rewarded by a nice lot of *Anemones*, *Spring Beauties*, *Jack-in-the-pulpit*, *Crowfoot*, and *Dielytra*, or *Dutchman's Breeches*. I had no trouble in finding any of these, as most of them grow near the surface, but the *Dog-tooth Violets* were not so easily obtained. The large bulbs are usually deep in the ground, and I had to use my hatchet, digging down twelve inches or more. Many of the *Spring Beauties* already had one leaf well developed, and *Dielytra* showed signs of starting growth. It would seem as if this early growth would be killed by the later severe weather, but it is not, as long as there is a protecting layer of leaves above it.

I planted all of the bulbs in one box, and should soon have a mass of greenery. The *Anemones* and *Dielytra* are already putting forth leaves. Nat S. Green.

Hamilton Co., Ohio, Jan. 13, 1905.

Abutilon.—Of window flowers my best success has been with *Abutilon Infanta Eulalie*. I have one that has grown from a cutting, and is now nearly four years old, large, and thrifty. It has leaves like a Maple, and is really a shrub. It began to bloom when quite young, and is scarcely ever without from one to fifteen blossoms. The color is a beautiful pink and white. One summer it began to droop, and I set it out in the ground. It shed all of its leaves, but the new ones soon began to appear, and it was a mass of bloom in a very short time. It continued to grow until frost came, when I cut it back and repotted it. The leaves again dropped, but new ones came, and it has been in bloom nearly every day since. Everyone admires it.

Mrs. Demeron.

Wabaunsee Co., Kans.

Cactus from Cuttings.—A friend once gave me some slips of Cactus of the variety known as *Inch Cactus* or *Christmas Cactus*. Her plant was in bloom, and the flowers were small, about an inch across, and of a pale, pearly tint. I made a compost of a quart of wood ashes, one of sharp sand, one of thoroughly rotted manure, part hen-house, and two of good clayey loam. I arranged it so the most of the manure was in the bottom of the pan, and more sand on top. The slips did not hesitate at all about growing and blooming; the flowers were a third larger, and of an exquisite rosy pink.

Henrico Co., Va.

A. R. Carson.



OLD TIME FAVORITES.

WHILE selecting seeds and plants for the flower garden for the coming summer, select enough seeds for a generous bed of old time flowers. Think back as far as you can remember,



and from the sweet memories, select the ones that are extra favorites, or that are desirable from some dear associations. There are many flowerextra dear from this cause. **NIGELLA DAMASCENA.** Scarcely one person but will recall tame Johnny-jump-ups (Viola tricolor), Clove Pinks (Dianthus plumarius), Lady-in-the-green (Nigella Damascena), whose black seeds were musk scented. "Mourning bride" (Scabiosa), Spider flower (Cleome), Hollyhocks (Althea rosea), Fall Roses (Asters), and of course Petunias, Verbenas and Chinese Pinks.

The seeds obtained now, especially of Asters, Verbenas, and Pinks, are much finer, when in flower, than were the ones of auld-lang-syne, but the Spider flower, Lady-in-the-green, and violet-scented Pansies, are quite a lot like the old timers. The others have not lost any of the sweetness from the great improvement. Zinnias and Marigolds have on such beautiful dresses now that they are scarcely recognizable as the same old flowers, but they will stand neglect and drouth just the same. E.C.

Edgar Co., Ill., Jan. 21, 1905.

[NOTE.—To this list may be added Balsams, Zinnias, Poppy, Four-O'clocks, Sweet Williams, and Sweet Rocket, all of which are easily grown and showy.—ED.]

Geraniums from Seeds.—Last February I sowed one packet of Geranium seeds in a box and I had so many plants I did not know what to do with them. I lifted them into small cans as soon as they formed their second set of leaves, and shifted into larger vessels as soon as they needed shifting. By cool weather I had saved about 35 plants, and the first of October they began to bloom, and such lovely flowers I never saw before. My window is a bower of beauty now. I have almost every color imaginable and have a dozen yet to bloom. I have blotched and striped, and colors ranging from palest pink to the darkest red I ever saw, and it is so interesting to watch a new plant when it buds, and speculate on the color. Mrs. Louisa Moore.

Wilton Co., Kan., Jan. 2, 1905.

LANTANAS.

THESE beautiful evergreen green-house shrubs are mostly natives of the West Indies and South America. They are easily propagated and cared for. They may be grown from seeds, which start slowly, because of the hard shell or covering. When once started they grow quite rapidly. They are easily grown from cuttings of the soft wood.

Begin pinching off the ends of the branches when only a few inches high, and continue until well branched out, if you want lots of blossoms. They make fine bedding plants for the lawn, when they bloom continuously from early summer until late autumn. When frost comes, take the plants up, pot and put away in the cellar, setting the pots in boxes of moist soil, just give water to keep them from getting too dry, but not enough to cause them to decay. There are many beautiful colors and shades. The blossoms look somewhat like Verbenas.

Wash. Co., Oreg.

J. A. L.

IT'S FOOD

That Restores and Makes Health Possible.

There are stomach specialists as well as eye and ear and other specialists.

One of these told a young lady of New Brunswick, N. J., to quit medicines and eat Grape-Nuts. She says:

"For about 12 months I suffered severely with gastritis. I was unable to retain much of anything on my stomach, and consequently was compelled to give up my occupation. I took quantities of medicine, and had an idea I was dieting, but I continued to suffer, and soon lost 15 pounds in weight. I was depressed in spirits and lost interest in everything generally. My mind was so affected that it was impossible to become interested in even the lightest reading matter.

"After suffering for months I decided to go to a stomach specialist. He put me on Grape-Nuts and my health began to improve immediately. It was the key-note of a new life. I found that I had been eating too much starchy food which I did not digest, and that the cereals which I had tried had been too heavy. I soon proved that it is not the quantity of food that one eats, but the quality.

"In a few weeks I was able to go back to my old business of doing clerical work. I have continued to eat Grape-Nuts for both the morning and evening meal. I wake in the morning with a clear mind and feel rested. I regained my lost weight in a short time. I am well and happy again and owe it to Grape-Nuts." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each pkg. for the little book, "The Road to Wellville."

FERTILIZING FLOWERS.

WERE the perennials, shrubs and hardy flowers given a mulch of coarse barnyard manure last fall, after the ground froze? If so, good; if not, the defect may be decidedly helped by applying some partly decayed manure this spring, when the ground becomes bare. This will prevent the damage to roots from the freezing and thawing, thro' the spring, that is so hard on hardy flowers, and when the soil permits, work it in around the roots, thus fertilizing the plants. No matter how rich the soil was at first, every bloom and leaf requires some fertilizer, so it is soon exhausted. There isn't much danger of overdoing the fertilizing idea, if decayed manure is used. The more one feeds, the more flowers we have, and finer ones, too, especially with hardy roots. Some are so bad to grow up towards the surface, especially Iris, and unless given an artificial covering in the spring late frosts will hurt them badly. More insects to fight! Of course barnyard manure is full of foreign seeds, and gives a chance for dormant insects to thrive, and insect eggs to hatch, but the necessary cultivation will do away with the weeds, and the stronger growth that fertilized plants will make will go far toward effacing the harm insects will do. I have never seen very many or very fine flowers where the soil was too poor for weeds to grow, if they had a chance. If flowers are worth growing, they are worth growing well, so aim to give some work towards their growth, or expect to be disappointed.

While fertilizing for perennials, don't forget the beds intended for the annuals. They will be glad of a rich soil. Use quite a lot of good wood-ashes where the Sweet Peas are to grow, and apply where stiff-stemmed flowers are wished; it gives them "back bone."

E. C.

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Mrs. J. N. Laugham.

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W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Jan. 1, 1905.

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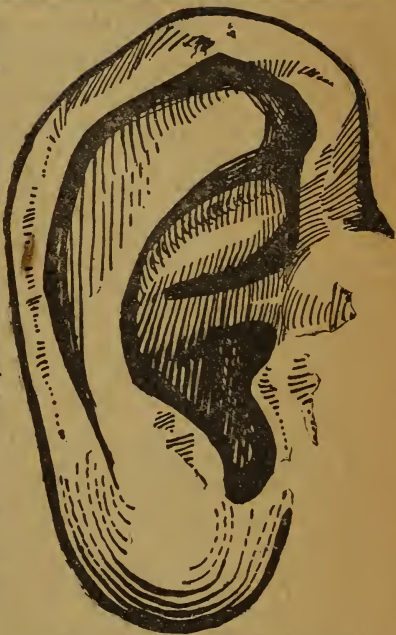
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remedy is the "four legged mouser," like the one you illustrated in a foregoing Magazine. Now, how can we save our Songsters, and kill out the little four-legged depredators. I am no particular friend of Kitty, but must of necessity, be a friend to her, to save my house and all within it. Have you no mice or rats at all in Pennsylvania? I would indeed appreciate an answer and a remedy.

I suppose all the northern floral readers are snow and ice bound. We have had but one light fall of snow, and some sleet, about three weeks ago. This winter has not been so severe as yet, but we may pay up for it this month. I wish all the readers could enjoy our bright spring weather in midwinter. It would seem quite a contrast to a vast expanse of snow or sleet, and before many weeks we will be enjoying the bright green of new grass, and the different flowers, such as bloom earliest. But I mean to try very hard to have some in and around the house, this year.

Mrs. E. R. Behrens.

McCulloch Co., Tex., Feb. 11, 1905.

[Ans.—It is not difficult to either trap or poison mice and rats, but you must observe the following precautions. For mice get new, well-made traps. The old style wire spring traps are all right, if well made. The traps should be clean, and have a tempting smell. The best bait is a piece of bacon skin taken from smoked meat. Before putting it on hold it over the fire till it scorches just a little, to give it a pleasing fragrance. A new trap baited in this way will always do satisfactory work. Remove the mouse promptly, then smoke the trap with smothered hickory or wood chips, put on a new scorched bait and reset. The traps catching one mouse can be purchased for two or three cents each, and half a dozen properly manipulated will, in a few days rid a place of mice. To trap rats the old-fashioned steel trap manipulated in the same way will do the work effectually. It may be necessary to hide it in buckwheat hulls or sawdust, as rats are even more cunning than mice. To poison the pests set pans of rather coarse cornmeal for several nights, until you get their confidence, then mix rough on rats or some other poison with the meal. This will often destroy scores of the pests in a single night.—Ed.]

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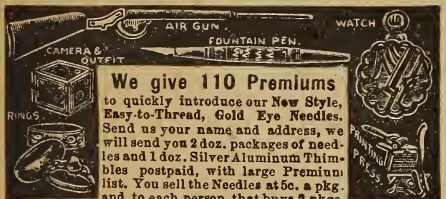
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Cook Co., Ill., Feb. 6, 1905.

Dear Mr. Park:—This is our first letter, and we hope to see it in print. Our names are Eva and Florence. I am nine years old and Florence is five. Mamma has taken your Magazine for several years. She is sending for some flower seeds now. She likes your seeds because they never fail to grow. And we like to read the Children's Corner. Eva and Florence Stevenson.

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Chautauqua Co., N. Y., Feb. 20, 1905.

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Mary Ingersoll.

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THAT GARDEN HUCKLEBERRY.

The following letter has reached the editor from Oldenburg, Ind., and is worthy of the consideration of readers:

Geo. W. Park, Sir: In your Magazine of March, 1905, Miss. Mary Martin advertises Solanum nigrum as Garden Huckleberry. I know not whether this is a printing mistake or not, but wish to say that Solanum nigrum is a poisonous plant, and as such it has been also classified among the "30 Poisonous Plants of the United States by V. K. Chestnut, Botanist at the United States Department of Agriculture.

In this interesting bulletin (No 86 of 1898) he writes that the amount of poison present in any part of Solanum nigrum varies with the condition of growth. The more musky odored plants are the most poisonous. In some the amount of alkaloid in the ripe fruit and leaves is so small that these parts may and are, consumed in considerable quantity without any ill consequences. Poisoning sometimes follows. "The use of black Nightshade (Solanum nigrum) is certainly not to be recommended. Causes of poisoning are recorded of calves, sheep, goats and swine." (Agriculture Department). Symptoms of this poisoning plant are the same in man as in animals. They are stupefaction, staggering, loss of speech, cramps, etc.

Description: Solanum nigrum is a smooth plant, one to two feet high, with rough, angular, widely branching stems; ovate leaves two to four inches long, with wavy margins, drooping clusters of small white flowers, and black, globose, juicy berries. It is a common plant in our locality, and is known as Deadly Nightshade.

The Huckleberry (Vaccinium) belongs to the Family Ericaceae, while Solanum nigrum is classified among the Nightshades (Solanaceae). There must be some mistake in this advertisement of Miss. Mary Martin. It should be corrected as soon as possible, if this "Garden Huckleberry" is really "Solanum nigrum," and Miss. Martin ought then to be notified of the poisonous properties of this plant. The welfare of your 375,000 subscribers and your kindness and good will as shown in the past prompted me to write these few lines, and rest assured they are well meant.

Oldenburg, Ind., March 1, 1905.

D. P.

[NOTE. There is doubtless a mistake about the botanical name of the plant in question. I cannot believe that anyone would care to risk reputation and trade by recommending the fruit of a disagreeable and poisonous weed as an esculent. The fact about this plant should be promptly made known, as many persons have sent, and are still sending for seeds of it. The engraving given in the advertisement does not truthfully represent the fruit of Solanum nigrum, the berries of which are globular and smooth at the apex.—ED.]

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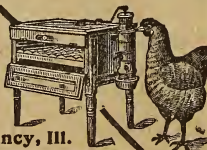
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GOSSIP.

Dear Mr. Park and Floral Band:—These fine days I have been using my leisure time in looking over my Floral Catalogues and reading my volumes of Park's Magazine from 1885 until now,—twenty years. Where have they flown? How, I miss the dear old names Boston Suburb, A. C. Firman, Mrs. G. W. Flanders, Elder's Wife, and a score of others. Where are they? Some I know answer the Roll Call on the other Shore. Jennie Spencer, Uhlma, Sophie E. Wilson, and a few more, still are found among the present contributors, and how eagerly we older subscribers devour every word which comes from their pens. And, how much the dear little Magazine has improved. I have loved it, and done all I could to circulate it for twenty years. My first recollection of a flower bed of my own was the summer I was five years old, in which the flowers were Pretty-by-night, Marigold, Prince's Feather, and Youth and Old Age, any of them taller than I was. I have grown flowers every year since, with one exception. It took one year of letting weeds run riot and not pulling a single one or using a hoe once, to convince John that flowers were much more desirable, than weeds. I now have help when needed. My Clove Pinks from your seeds were the finest I ever saw, and the fragrance indescribably sweet. A hardy Phlox obtained from you had the top broken off in transit. I planted both top and root. Both grew, and such immense florets, and panicles were a revelation to me. In the woods near my home is an acre of Phlox divaricata that blooms so freely in the spring. To my sorrow the wildings are fast disappearing. I try to secure a few of each before they are gone. I have a beautiful Asclepias Tuberosa—yellow, not yellowish red or orange red as are common, but a beautiful, soft yellow. Some think it's caused by the soil. I found it by the roadside, and transferring it to my border did not change it. Mary Ingersoll.

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St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., Feb. 21, 1905.

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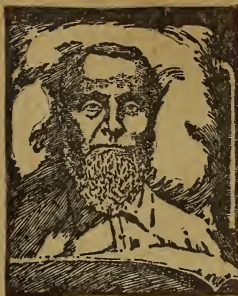
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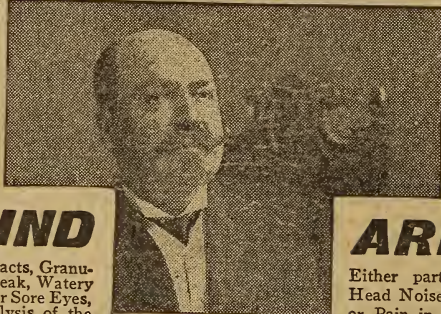
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Beryl Kelly, 6 years old daughter of Mrs. C. H. Kelly, Northwood Narrows, N. H., was totally blind from Opacity of the cornea or scum over the eye, with very little hope of ever being able to see—used Dr. Coffee's treatment for 1 month which absorbed the scums and restored her sight perfectly. She is attending school regularly and can see as well as anyone.



Blind from Cataract and Granulated Lids—Cured in 1 month:

Irving Hurd, of Harmony, Maine, had cataract and granulated lids which caused great suffering. Hearing of Dr. Coffee's Treatment he sent for it and after using it 1 month, cataract was completely absorbed—granulation disappeared—sight was restored perfectly. Great improvement noticed from first days use of treatment.



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74 Years Old—Hearing Restored:

Mr. Eli Snyder, of Altoona, Iowa, says: I am 74 years old, was afflicted with catarrhal deafness for a number of years was gradually growing deaf. I took a severe cold recently which settled in my head, making me almost totally deaf. Used Dr. Coffee's Absorption Treatment for two months and obtained perfect hearing.



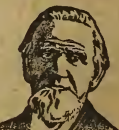
A Boy's Statement which Reveals Wonderful Facts:

Schultz Martine, of Storm Lake, Iowa, 14 years old, had attack of scarlet fever when 3 years old which affected hearing, followed by severe ear aches. 2 years ago an attack of measles caused complete deafness. Treated with many doctors, instead of improving his condition became worse. After years of suffering finally used Dr. Coffee's treatment and obtained perfect hearing.



80 Yrs. Old—Cured of Deafness:

Washington Hunter, of Davenport, Neb., took a severe cold 2 years ago last winter which made him completely deaf in one ear and partly so in the other. After many unsuccessful attempts to obtain relief, commenced the use of Dr. Coffee's home treatment which proved beneficial from the start, after continuing for 3 months a complete cure resulted.



To the Readers: The proprietors of this paper have investigated Dr. Coffee, of Des Moines, Iowa, and know that he is a physician of highest standing and perfectly responsible for what he agrees to do. Those of our readers desiring one of these books should write to the doctor at once and kindly mention this paper.

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